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Gilberto Sanchez Honored for Service to Civil Air Patrol

JOINT BASE MCGUIRE-DIX-LAKEHURST, NJ – Capt Gilberto Sanchez of Budd Lake, New Jersey was honored with an award from the Civil Air Patrol's New Jersey Wing on March 13.

Col. David Mull, commander of the New Jersey Wing, presented the Grover Loening Award. It was given to Sanchez for completing Level 3 of the senior officer program. The award was one of a number presented by Col. Mull at the CAP NJ Wing Annual Conference on March 13.

"It is my pleasure to honor these fine volunteers in the Civil Air Patrol," said Col. Mull. "These personnel represent the best of the best in the New Jersey Wing and they are models for their colleagues in CAP."

In the Civil Air Patrol, Sanchez has been a member for 10 years. He is a member of the Jersey City Composite squadron and serves as the Deputy Commander for Cadets and the Professional Development Officer.

The Civil Air Patrol, the official auxiliary of the U.S. Air Force, is a nonprofit organization with 58,000 members nationwide. CAP performs 90 percent of continental U.S. inland search and rescue missions as tasked by the Air Force Rescue Coordination Center and was credited by the AFRCC with saving 91 lives in fiscal year 2008. Its volunteers also perform homeland security and disaster relief missions at the request of federal, state and local agencies. The members play a leading role in aerospace education and serve as mentors to the more than 23,000 young people currently participating in CAP cadet programs. CAP has been performing missions for America for 68 years.